

## **News & Events**

### **Trash, recycling collection delayed**

There was no trash and recycling collection on Wednesday, July 4, due to the Independence Day holiday. Service resumed today July 5, and will be delayed one day the remainder of the week. For more information, call **Environmental Services** at 972-624-3131.

### **Summer Clubhouse continues in July**

The next installment of this year's **Summer Clubhouse** series for kids features a FREE performance of the "Merry Makers Puppet Show" on Friday, July 6, at The Colony Recreation Center, 5151 North Colony Blvd. Doors open at 9 a.m.; performance begins at 10 a.m. Additional programs will be held every Friday in July. Visit the **city website** for more details or call Parks and Recreation at 972-625-1106.

### **Election filing period runs July 23 to Aug. 20**

The Colony City Council will hold its 2018 **General Election** for at-large city council districts on Nov. 6. Applicants may begin filing with the **City Secretary's Office** starting July 23 and continuing through 5 p.m. Aug. 20. To request an application or for more information, contact the City Secretary by **email** or by calling 972-624-3105.

## **Windows into The Colony**



### **Main Street art panels represent iconic images**

While the Main Street reconstruction project resulted in a brand new roadway that paves the way for the city's future, it also left behind poignant symbols of the city's past in the form of **20 carefully crafted public art panels**. The 6-foot by 6-foot panels are built into the sound walls so most motorists have surely noticed them by now. Much is lost, however, when seen passing by in a moving vehicle. Take a closer look at the panels themselves as well as the story behind them in our **latest blog post**.

### **Memorial/Blair Oaks roadwork begins today**

Work is underway on the long-awaited reconstruction of the intersection at Blair Oaks and Memorial drives. **Both the east- and westbound left lanes of Memorial at Blair Oaks will be closed starting today.** Motorists should expect delays in that area and seek alternate routes if possible. **More information is available online.** The project is estimated to be completed by August 2019.



# Register soon for Back 2 School Bash

With the earlier start to the 2018-19 school year on Aug. 15, our annual Back 2 School Bash is earlier this year, too. The 2018 event will be from **5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 24**, at The Colony Recreation Center, 5151 North Colony Blvd. Cost is FREE for residents; \$3 for non-residents.

Join us for this fun-filled evening complete with free school supplies and lots of helpful information for the upcoming school year. Registration is required and space is limited to the first 500 children ages 5-12. **Register in advance at The Colony Recreation Center starting Monday, July 9, for residents; or Monday, July 16, for non-residents.** For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-625-1106.



## Beat the Heat!



It doesn't just "feel like" summer. Summer is here. Heat indexes are already reaching in the triple digits, and everyone should be mindful of taking **precautions to avoid heat-related illnesses** — or worse.

**NEVER leave children or pets in vehicles unattended!** According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, **18 children have already died this year from vehicular heatstroke.**

Older adults, children, and sick or overweight individuals are at greater risk from extreme heat. If you are experiencing extreme heat conditions:

- Find air conditioning.
- Avoid strenuous activities.
- Watch for heat illness.
- Wear light clothing.
- Check on family members and neighbors.
- Drink plenty of fluids.
- Watch for heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

**More information about extreme heat conditions is available online.**

# Birds of prey to descend on The Colony

Hawks, owls, and other aerial assassins will glide through The Colony starting at **6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30**, during a presentation by the **Blackland Prairie Raptor Center.**

The program is sponsored by your **Keep The Colony Beautiful Board** (KTCB) and will be held at the City Hall Annex, 6804 Main St., next door to City Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Ample parking will be available.

The 45-minute presentation will feature native raptors along with their handlers, who will be available to answer questions. This program is entertaining and informative for both children and adults.

Given the popularity of the program, this event is by reservation only. Limited seating will be available. Attendees **must register online.** The program is free of charge but donations benefitting KTCB will be accepted. Funds go toward events such as this, as well as other KTCB programs like the annual Owl & Howl Prowl along the Shoreline Trail. **This year's Owl & Howl Prowl is scheduled for late October.**

For more information, contact **Neighborhood Enhancement Officer Danny Dill.**



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